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Tenor Joshua Vincent and Pianist Anna Savvas-Katkov to Perform at Central Library

Concert Will Feature Songs by Robert Schumann and Gabriel Fauré

SAN DIEGO – The fifth concert in the City of San Diego Public Library fall concert series will be held on Sunday, October 26, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. The program will feature a song recital by tenor Joshua Vincent accompanied by pianist Anna Savvas-Katkov. The performance will be held in the third floor auditorium of the Central Library, located at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego.

The program will feature Robert Schumann's *Dichterliebe* (The Poet's Love), a song cycle composed in 1840, and set to the poetry of the famous German poet Heinrich Heine. This unsurpassed masterpiece is considered by many to be the pinnacle of the song-cycle form. Several songs by the influential French composer Gabriel Fauré will also be performed.

Joshua Vincent is a tenor based in Del Mar, California. Mr. Vincent began singing at an early age in children's choirs in Minnesota. He attended St. John's University in Minnesota where he studied vocal performance under the tutelage of Dr. Axel Theimer, with whom he began his exploration of French art song and German lieder. He continued his study of voice at Indiana University with Costanza Cuccaro, giving numerous recitals and performing several operatic roles with Indiana University Opera Theatre. After completing a Master of Music degree from Indiana University, Mr. Vincent joined the chorus of the Lyric Opera in Chicago, where he performed from 2001 to 2007. Recently he moved to the San Diego area with his wife Jean and finished his first season with the San Diego Opera chorus. In addition to his musical pursuits, he is also an avid student, practitioner and teacher of Hatha Yoga. Mr. Vincent currently teaches both private and public Hatha Yoga classes in North County San Diego.

Pianist Anna Savvas-Katkov is a performing artist and music educator living in San Diego. She is of Greek heritage. She studied at the University of Michigan and the Juilliard School, and earned her Master of Music degree from Mannes College of Music, and bachelor and doctoral degrees from the University

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of Minnesota. Dr. Savvas-Katkov has performed as soloist and chamber musician across the United States, on the East Coast primarily in New York City, Boston and Philadelphia, as well as in the Midwest, in Michigan and Minnesota, and on the West Coast, with performances at most of the colleges and universities in the San Diego area. She is the pianist with the locally-based Annarocelle Quartet. She maintains a private piano studio and is a frequent adjudicator at piano competitions. She has taught on the faculties at the University of Minnesota and the University of San Diego.

The concert is free and open to the public. **Free parking is available at the lot adjacent to the Library on Broadway and 8th, courtesy of Five Star Parking.** In addition, parking meters are not enforced on Sundays, and other pay parking lots are available in the vicinity of the library.

For further information, please call the Library's Art and Music Department at 236-5810, or visit the Library web site at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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